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R. W. JONES SELECTED TO HEAD TICKET

COMPLETE MUNICIPAL TICKET
NAMED COMPOSED ENTIRELY
OF NEW MEN—PRE-
SENT INCUMBENTS
HAVING DENIED
TO SERVE.

CITIZENS' TICKET IS TITLE

W. Platt, City Treasurer Only Hold
Over—E. A. Fraser, Hugh Allen, H.
B. Cockrum, Irwin Troxell, A. L.
McDowell and A. G. Moore for
Council.

Ontario is to be spared the em-
barrassment of having no candidates
for municipal offices at the general
election to be held on November 5.
A complete ticket was nominated at
the caucus held at the city hall Mon-
day evening.

R. W. Jones, proprietor of the Onta-
rio Laundry was the final choice to
head the ticket as candidate for the
office of Mayor, and with him were
named six candidates for council, only
one of whom has seen service here in
the past.

The six men elected to complete
the ticket were: E. A. Fraser, Hugh
Allen, Irwin Troxell, H. B. Cockrum,
A. L. McDowell and Dr. A. G. Moore.
Mr. Fraser is the only one of the
number who has had previous ex-
perience here on the Council.

The only other office to be filled
the election is that of City Treasur-
er, which has been held for years by
W. Platt, he was unanimously
named as the candidate for that posi-
tion again.

The deliberations of the caucus
were delayed owing to the fact that
many voters manifested interest
in the proceedings. When some
twenty were present Mayor W. F.
Homan called the meeting to order
and City Recorder C. M. Stearns
read the call. Nominations were
made for Mayor, and W. W. Wood
was first named. When informed
by phone of the action taken he de-
clined emphatically to serve and the
present informant discussed the
question the names A. L. Cockrum
and W. F. Homan being considered
and three men likewise declined. Mr.
Cockrum then nominated Mr. Jones
who likewise declined, but recon-
sidered after being urged to do so by the
meeting.

Nominations were then made by
a lot of a dozen or more names for
the councilmanic positions with the
result of the nomination of the above
named men.

At least three of the men named
since they learned of the action
of the council, declared their inability
to serve due to lack of time and short-
age of help in their business, but
practically every other man in
the city is similarly situated their
names will be on the ballot. The
ticket will be known as the Citizens
ticket and will be voted at each of
the three precincts of the city, in-
stead as has been the case in previous
elections, at the city hall, which
will be the voting place of the second
precinct only.

—BUY W.S.S.—

STATE AUTHORITIES ORDER QUARANTINE

Schools, Theatres, Churches, Pool
Halls Are Ordered Closed—Only
Open Air Gatherings May
Be Held at Present.

With no cases of Spanish Influenza
developed in Ontario among the
people, the fact that two cases were
here from the outside and that
victims are still here, brot about
quarantine of the city this morn-

ing. The quarantine was ordered by
Dr. W. F. Homan upon instruction
from the State Board of Health.
According to the order there can
be held any public gathering, un-

less it is held out of doors; schools,
churches, theatres and lodges are all
placed under the ban and also the
pool halls. To prevent gatherings in
the latter institutions the chairs and
tables have been removed, but the
clerks are permitted to sell cigars or
other merchandise.

The order came thru the fact that a
man named Parker, who lives on the
Eastside developed the disease on his
return from Nampa and other Idaho
points where it is prevalent; also on
account of the fact that a traveling
man came here ill with it and was
taken to the isolation ward of the hos-
pital. Each of these cases is so iso-
lated that the local physicians feel
that they are not liable to serve as a
means of spreading the disease here.
They are watching them closely and
are prepared to exercise every precau-
tion to prevent an epidemic.

While the quarantine of the city
was not due to the conditions existing
here now but in fact due to the pre-
valence of the disease all along the Short
Line railroad, and therefore extreme-
ly liable to spread to Ontario at any
time.

How long the closing order will be
effective the authorities do not know
for that will depend entirely on the
development of the disease not only
in Oregon but in Idaho as well for
Ontario is more apt to be affected
by Idaho conditions than by those of
Oregon.

—BUY W.S.S.—

MAINS ON OLD WATER SYSTEM GIVE TROUBLE

Persons Now Connected to Old System
Urged to Make Connections With
New Mains to Avoid Trouble
and Expense.

The mains of the old water system
which are still in use are giving the
city officials no end of trouble these
days, and they are causing an un-
necessary bill of expense to the city.
To remedy this condition the people
now connected to the old system
should connect to the new mains as
soon as possible, for such action will
save both time and money in the long
run, also save a great deal of incon-
venience.

The old mains cannot stand the
pressure of a full tank of water and
are constantly breaking. This means
the cutting off of water while repairs
are made. The breaks in the main
injure the streets and cost money to
repair. The officials are therefore
anxious that citizens prepare the
necessary trenches so that connections
can be made to once. There is mat-
erial on hand in the city now to make
the necessary connections if the people
will act.

—BUY W.S.S.—

ENGINEERS COMING TO SURVEY ROUTES

M. O. Bennett, Division Engineer to
Investigate Proposed Routes to
Jordan Valley Within the
Next Two Weeks

Within the next week or ten days
engineers of the State Highway Com-
mission will be in the field to survey
the proposed routes for a road from
Jordan Valley to some railroad point.
The route to be selected is to be an
all Oregon road, according to informa-
tion available here.

M. O. Bennett, division engineer,
for the commission, has been assigned
the task of making the reconnaissance
and preparing the data and to re-
port to the commission his recom-
mendations for the best route.

The money to be used in building
the road is that accruing from the
sale of land within the Jordan Valley
irrigation project, which is being devel-
oped by Harley J. Hooker and asso-
ciates of Boise. This irrigation pro-
ject which is the biggest single devel-
opment work undertaken in Malheur
county for several years has already
laid aside a surplus of \$50,000 for the
construction of roads, and this is to
be used on the road to the outside.

According to advises received here
Mr. Bennett will reach Ontario with-
in a week or ten days to go over the
proposed routes, and has asked that
all information concerning various
factors to be considered be prepared
for presentation at that time.

APPRECIATES WORK OF COMMITTEES AND OF VOLUNTEER SUBSCRIBERS

The Argus this week received the following
appreciation of the work of the committees and of
the volunteer subscribers to the Fourth Liberty
Loan from J. R. Blackaby, County Chairman:

On behalf of the state and county organiza-
tions which handled the Fourth Liberty Loan
campaign in Malheur county, I want to thank you
for the splendid co-operation which your paper
gave to the cause, and also, thru your paper to the
committees in your district who labored hard and
without pay to make this loan a success, and to
the hundreds of volunteer subscribers who walk-
ed in and tendered their money to the government
to use in prosecuting the war to a successful end;
many of them really sacrificing to do so. More
than 90 per cent of this loan in this county was
volunteered, in some districts all of it. We had
only a comparatively few hesitators and most of
them came in at the eleventh hour, and I am glad
to report that we have only a few slackers in this
county. While Malheur County is large, we have
no room for slackers or Pro-Germans.

We can feel proud of our county for going
over the top by some \$53,000.00. With a popula-
tion of approximately 10,000, we sold bonds to
2500 people in round numbers, or 25 per cent
of our population, the total sales for the county
being \$470,000.00. This record places Malheur
county among the substantial counties of Oregon
and places the stamp of loyalty on us in such a
manner that it can not be misunderstood.

Yours very truly
J. R. BLACKABY,
County Chairman.

FORMER ONTARIAN IS SPANISH FLU VICTIM

W. J. Allison Dies at Old Home in
Oklahoma—Daughter of Mrs. G.
L. King, Is Also Victim of
Malady.

Just a week after he had arrived
from Ontario for a visit with his par-
ents at Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, W.
J. Allison, formerly night marshal and
well known here, died of Spanish
Influenza last Monday morning.

When he left here with his wife
and three children Mr. Allison was the
picture of health, in fact his robust
weight of 230 pounds proved one of
the elements aiding the dread dis-
ease. Word of his death was re-
ceived to Mrs. Allison's brother, Elmer
Greent, on the basis of a letter telling
of his slight illness.

Mr. Allison was a native of Okla-
homa but for the past ten years
had lived in Ontario and Vale, serving
as night marshal here and as deputy
sheriff. He had a host of friends
in this section to whom news of his
sudden death was a distinct shock.
He was 52 years old and leaves his
wife and three children; his aged
father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. A. B.
Allison of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma.

The fatal influenza brot grief to an-
other Ontario home when Mrs. E. B.
Mills, daughter of Mrs. G. L. King,
died at her home in Kansas City, Kan-
sas last Friday morning. Mrs. King
who had received a wire Thursday
telling of her daughter's illness left on
No. 18 Friday morning and but a few
hours later a message was received by
Judge King telling of the daugh-
ter's death. The only information
contained was that the cause was in-
fluenza. Mrs. Mills was known to
many Ontarians having visited here
on several occasions.

Young Mother is Victim.

While Ontario has been spared the
malady, relatives of Ontarians have
been the victims in widely scattered
sections, among them was Mrs. Elmer
Richards of Kenosha, Wisconsin; a
niece of Mr. and Mrs. John Rader of
Boise and had visited Ontario many
times before her marriage. She
leaves beside her husband a 13 month
old baby boy.

Other Ontario families have been
informed of the illness of relatives
in various sections many of whom
have been but slightly ill, others on
the road toward recovery.

—BUY W.S.S.—

Word was received here this week
from Mrs. L. B. Tudor who was ill
with Mr. and Mrs. Knorr in Pon-
tation with the Spanish Influenza.

G. W. Howe went to Weiser Sat-
urday to visit with his son Paul who
is home on a furlough.

Nick Smith; School Districts No.
46 and 47; Mrs. E. L. Tate, Chair-
man; School District No. 58: J. C.
Wilson, Chairman; Mrs. J. M. Bog-
gess, J. W. Bly; School District No.
18: H. T. Patt, Chairman; C. A.
Braley, C. D. Gieglow; School Dis-
trict No. 26 and 39; E. M. Dean,
Chairman; Ray Wilson, C. C. Hunt,
Peter Tansen, H. T. Francis; School
Hans Ott, Chairman; Gilbert Dean,
A. F. Burr; School District No. 33;
C. H. Brown, Chairman; Rex Mar-
quis, N. C. Sullens; School District
No. 40: A. Von Reuden, Chairman;
J. A. Walter, W. H. Snyder; School
Districts No. 56, 49 and 45; James
Stark, Chairman; Frank Gribbin, Ira
E. Hamilton, J. H. Newton; School
District No. 61; C. E. Peck Chairman;
R. R. Overstreet, V. V. Hickox;
School District No. 64, O. V. Holloway
Chairman; J. A. Winslow, John Blan-
ton; School District No. 68, Mrs. N.
Davis, Chairman; School District No.
65, Mrs. Jans May, Chairman; Mrs.
Mary Beckman, John Elliot; School
District No. 73, John R. Jacquith,
Chairman; O. E. Travis, W. H. Biekle.
—BUY W.S.S.—

JUNIORS PLEASE IN PLAY "THE SNOB"

Parent-Teacher's Association Given
Excellent Program—Specialty
Numbers and Addresses
Enjoyed.

The comedy entitled "The Snob,"
and played by the members of the
Junior class at the high school Friday
evening as a number on the Parent-
Teacher's program, was a decided suc-
cess. The class and their supervisor,
Mr. H. H. Taylor deserve much praise
in their manner of giving the play,
having had only the week preceding
the presentation for practice.

The actors played their parts with
out mistake and the setting of the
scenes were the best that have been
seen in amateur theatricals for some
time.

The plot of play was woven around
society life in East. The chief char-
acter, Katherine Hayes, is the daugh-
ter of the newly rich Mr. and Mrs.
Hayes who have instilled the belief
in their daughter's mind that
money is the only thing that counts.
Katherine visits a friend of hers,
Peggy Wellan in Philadelphia and is
introduced to the latter's brother and
his friends, among whom is Bill Put-
nam, captain of the varsity football
team.

Katherine immediately falls in love
with Bill, but upon finding out that
he is working his way thru college
as a waiter she decides that he is not
in her crowd and snubs him at every
convenient opportunity. When Harry
Wellan's friends learn that she has
cut his name off her dance program
at the prom they take their revenge
by bringing in the fact thru their con-
versation with her that they are all
either working their way thru college
by waiting or else are professionals
and Katherine is much humiliated.

The close of the play shows Kath-
erine and Bill happy, the former hav-
ing discovered that money does not al-
ways count and the curtain falls on
their reconciliation.

The cast of the play follows:
Katherine Hayes..... Helen Anderson
Peggy Wellan, her friend.....
Charlotte Clagett
Harry Wellan..... Frank Dornan
Bill Putnam, a waiter..... Ed also
The son of a fortune..... Harry
Jim of the navy..... Jack Peterson
John, a fellow waiter..... John Odell
Little Jack Knowles..... Martin Moor
Whims Dalton..... Cody Butler
Gordon..... Jack Barrett

The program was opened by the
pledge of allegiance to the flag. The
solo "A Farewell" was given by Miss
Catherine Conway who also responded
to several encores. This was follow-
ed by the lecture of the evening given
by W. W. Wood on certain things
that the parents and teachers can do
for the boys and girls. After the
play was begun in the course of which
several specialties followed. Among
these were a Spanish dance in ves-
tments by Miss Victoria Stankovic
who was greatly appreciated; a solo by
Miss Mary Messer, followed by an ex-
cuse "Keep the Home Fires Burning";
Viola Husted, and Mabel Madden; a
Chinese dance and song by Della
Crammatt, Mary Messer, Rose Ben-
der and Etta McReight and the song
"We Don't Want the Bacon" by
quartette composed of Cody Butler,
Frank Dornan, Jack Barrett and
Martin Moor.

STAGE GREAT FINISH AND PASS QUOTA

NEARLY HALF MILLION DOLLARS
OF FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN
BONDS SOLD TO 2500
MALHEUR CITIZENS

800 ONTARIO TAKE \$130,000

Eleventh Hour Subscribers Swell the
Total and Put City Safely Over the
Top by Friday Night—Few Slackers
in the Entire County.

Nearly half a million, to be exact,
\$470,000 worth of Fourth Liberty
Loan Bonds of the United States
Government were sold in Malheur
county according to the records shown
at the close of subscriptions Saturday
afternoon.

Of this grand total Ontario purchas-
ed \$134,000, or more than \$12,000
above its quota. The county exceed-
ed its quota by more than \$50,000,
Brogan, Nyssa, Ontario, Jordan Val-
ley, Vale and other sections contri-
buted to the surplus more than tak-
ing care of the few precincts which
did not make their quotas. These
sections, however, are all within the
region affected by the drought of the
past summer and their failure casts
no reflection upon them.

No Slacker List Here.

There will be no slacker list printed
in Ontario. There is no need for
one. The half dozen or more who
held back came forward Friday and
Saturday and took the amounts set
for them by the committee or adjust-
ed the quotas satisfactorily. A few
were urged to do so by committees
supplemented by messages from Ed-
ward Cookingham state chairman who
had been advised of their previous re-
fusal to buy the amounts assigned
them.

On Friday morning, the next to the
last day of the drive, Ontario was
\$10,000 short of its quota, but by
night it was safely over the top and
all day Saturday subscriptions came
in, making the surplus stronger.

Get Railroad Men's Purchases

The city was greatly helped by the
fact that the Oregon Short Line ar-
ranged for the purchase thru the
First National bank of \$7,500 worth
of bonds purchased by railroad men
in this section, the local bank carry-
ing the necessary loan at the bond
rate. Added to this the Standard
Oil company's draft for \$5,000 arriv-
ed at the Ontario National bank on
Friday and the city was over for
other subscriptions came during the
day.

Work Railroad Men Thoroughly.

The railroad men were solicited
three times, and urged to increase
their purchases. After being raised
locally these men were again request-
ed to buy, in many cases, double the
amount originally assigned them, and
they did.

It is a matter of fact that by the
monthly deduction system used to
pay these subscriptions many of the
railroad men have their surplus wage
engaged now up to the time of the
next Liberty Loan drive; some are
still paying for Third Liberty Loan
bonds.

—BUY W.S.S.—

DELAY OBSOLETE

OPENING TO PRESENT

Owing to the possibility of the pro-
duction of influenza by the
introduction of new people and
in a prominent measure the
clubs and members of the
club decided to suspend the
season's activities. This action
was taken at a meeting held Monday
evening. The date of the
club will be postponed later when the
weathering of the city and State
is better. The period part
—BUY W.S.S.—

Miss Eda Clagett left Thursday
evening for Spokane, Wn., after visiting
for a couple of days with Mr. and Mrs.
T. W. Clagett here. Before leaving
she was Miss Clagett attended
to the usual of September.

Mrs. Lela H. Burr returned to her
in Troutland after spending several
weeks here at work.